

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Date March 14, 2006

In re the Application of

Yutaka YAMAGATA et al.

Application No.: 09/674,304

Filed: August 6, 2001

For: LIQUID TREATING EQUIPMENT INCLUDING A STORAGE VESSEL AND A DISCHARGE VESSEL



Group Art Unit: 1743

Examiner: B. GORDON

Docket No.: 107734

**LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION
OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND
TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17**

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired February 14, 2006, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 177642 in the amount of \$120 in payment for:

- X Extension fee for response within first month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$120.00)
- Extension fee for response within second month pursuant to §1.136(a) (\$450.00)
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